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PROPOSALS FOR SECURITY MEASURES (CUI-OB/57)

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1. CTE COMPLETED CONSIDERATION UP/WP 80 ON JANUARY 24 AFTER FOUR LONG MTGS. USSR POSITION WAS ALMOST IDENTICAL TO US, ESPECIALLY RE DISCARDING MOST OF THE HIGHLY DETAILED PROPOSALS AS ALREADY COVERED, SO US LET THEM TAKE LEAD. (NO MEMBERS OBJECTED TO DELETIONS.)
2. ENTIRE US POSITION WAS ACHIEVED PLUS ADDITIONAL DESIRABLE MEASURES AS FOLLOWS.
3. RE PARA 5 WP/80, FRANCE PROPOSED UPGRADING 9.4 OF ANNEX 9 TO STANDARD. HOSTILE DISCUSSION ENSUED WHICH BROUGHT ON SERIOUS PROCEDURAL ISSUE: COULD CTE MAKE MAJOR CHANGES IN ANNEX 17 WHILE CONSIDERING ISRAEL PROPOSALS, OR WAS WORK LIMITED TO SPECIFICS OF ISRAEL PAPER. THOSE OPPOSING FRANCE UPGRADE USED THIS PROBLEM AS EXCUSE FOR VOTING AGAINST OR ABSTAINING: 5 FOR (FRANCE, US, UK, MOROCCO, PAKISTAN), 1 AGAINST (USSR), AND 4 ABSTENTIONS

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(ARGENTINA, MEXICO, SPAIN, LEBANON). PROPOSAL FAILED BECAUSE ALL CUI VOTES REQUIRE STATUTORY MAJORITY OF SIX. DURING BREAK USREP WORKED WITH ARGENTINA AND SPAIN. IT SEEMS THEY AGREED WITH PROPOSAL BUT WERE MIFFED BECAUSE FRANCE REP HAD NOT DISCUSSED IT WITH THEM. WE ARRANGED WITH FRANCE TO MAKE PROPOSAL AGAIN UNDER LATER PARA 917) AND THEY AGREED TO SUPPORT, IF PROCEDURAL ISSUE CLEARED UP. IN MTG. SPAIN PROPOSED "BROADENING" TERMS

REFERENCE BY REWRITING OB SLIGHTLY. US SUPPORTED PROPOSALS AND ARGENTINA DECLARED HIS SUPPORT FOR UPGRADING 9.4. IT WAS APPROVED ON JAN. 25 BY 7 RECORDED VOTES (PLUS SUPPORT PAKISTAN WHO WAS ABSENT), NO OPPOSITION. (ANNEX 9 MATERIAL GOES TO AIR TRANSPORT CTE FOR COORDINATION AND REPORT BACK TO CTE BEFORE SUBMISSION FOR STATES' COMMENTS. FORESEE NO PROBLEMS).

4. IN CONNECTION WITH PARA 6A) WP/80, UK PROPOSED ADDING "SENSE" OF THAT PARA TO NOTE FOLLOWING PARA 5.2.4 ANNEX 17- IT READS"... CARRYOUT SECURITY PATROLS ON THE AIR SIDE COVERING SUCH AREAS AS ETC." ACCEPTED BY CONSENSUS.

5. PARAS 17-21 WERE SPECIFICALLY REFERRED TO SECRETARIAT FOR INCLUSION IN SECURITY MANUAL AS APPROPRIATE.

6. RE PARAS 18-21, US PROPOSED NEW RECOMMENDED PRACTICE AS PARA 6.1.3 ANNEX 17. SEVERAL MEMBERS (INCLUDING US) HAD PROBLEM (A) DIFFERENTIATING BETWEEN NEW RP AND EXISTING PARAS 6.1.1 AND .2, AND (B) CONSIDERING USE OF PHRASE "CONTINGENCY PLAN" WHICH HAD "MILITARY CONNOTATION" FOR SOME. OTHERS POINTED OUT THAT "CONTINGENCY PLAN" HAS SPECIAL OPERATIONAL CONNOTATIONS IN ICAO. AGREEMENT WAS REACHED WHICH PUTS NEW RP MATERIAL IN EXISTING 6.1.1 BY PUTTING STOP AFTER "...KNOWN TO THE STATE," AND ADDING LAST SENTENCE "SUCH A PROGRAMME SHALL BE COMPATIBLE WITH THE PRESCRIBED AERODROME SECURITY PROGRAMME, AND SHALL INCLUDE PLANS FOR DEALING WITH UNUSUAL THREATS OF UNLAWFUL INTERFERENCE." THIS SEEMS EXCELLENT PLACEMENT SINCE 6.1.1 IS A STANDARD.

7. IN PARA 22 WP/80, UK PROPOSED A NEW REC PRACTICE FOR ANNEX 17: LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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"THE NECESSARY PRECAUTIONS SHOULD BE TAKEN TO CONTROL TRANSFER AND TRANSIT PASSENGERS AND BAGGAGE." SECRETARIAT DELETED "THE NECESSARY" AND MEXICO/SPAIN INSISTED "BAGGAGE" BE QUALIFIED TO REFER TO "CABIN BAGGAGE". ACCEPTED BY CONSENSUS.

8. RE PARA 26 WP/80, FRANCE PROPOSED THAT ISRAEL LANGUAGE BECOME AN ANNEX 17 REC PRAC. AT SUGGESTION USSR, MATERIAL REFERRED TO SECRETARIAT FOR DRAFTING AND PLACEMENT, BUT WAS ULTIMATELY DROPPED.

9. RE PARAS 36-38, WP/80, US PROPOSED UPGRADING 9.1.2 ANNEX 14 TO STANDARD. ALLOWED FRIDAY-MONDAY CONSIDERATION AND WAS APPROVED FOR RECOMMENDATION TO ANC BY CONSENSUS.

10. CTE'S REPORT TO COUNCIL WILL BE PREPARED AFTER ATC AND ANC COMMENTS RECEIVED. FINAL DECISIONS ON SUBMITTING TO STATES WILL BE TAKEN AT THAT TIME. USREP FORESEES NO MAJOR PROBLEM.

11. FYK: DURING NEGOTIATIONS WITH SPAIN/ARGENTINA ON REOPENING FRENCH 9.4 STANDARD PROPOSAL, BOTH SAID IN FRONT OF FRENCH REP THAT THEY WOULD PREFER THE PROPOSAL BY MADE BY USREP, THEN THEY COULD APPROVE IT AT ONCE. TWICE IN CONNECTION WITH R.P. PROPOSALS BY OTHERS, USREP WAS TOLD BY USSR REP HIS INSTRUCTIONS ALLOWED HIM TO SUPPORT ONLY US PROPOSALS. USREP COOPERATED BY SUGGESTING HE SUPPORT THE US SUPPORT OF THE UK AND FRANCE PROPOSED RPS (WHICH HE DID).

12. WE HAVE TAKEN MORE MAJOR STEPS FORWARD IN STRENGTHENING ICAO'S SECURITY MEASURES.

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